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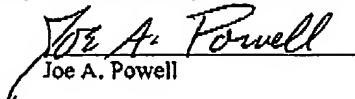
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL AND ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is in response to a Final Office Action and the Request for Continuing Examination (RCE) filed with this Amendment. Also, a request for a one month extension of time is enclosed together with the required fee of \$120.00.

The amended claims are shown below.